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FCC ELIMINATES THE DEADLINE FOR NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL CLASS D FM STATIONS
TO FILE CONSTRUCTION PERMIT APPLICATIONS TO INCREASE THEIR POWER IN THE
RESERVED BAND

On June 7, 1978, in Docket 20735, the Commission established a deadline of January 1, 1980 for the filing of construction permit applications by noncommercial educational ten-watt Class D FM stations to increase their power to a 100-watt minimum in the reserved band. Citing several reasons, including the large number of such applications already filed and the alleged failure of notice to some licensees, the Commission decided to eliminate this deadline and accept this type of application whenever filed. However, the FCC indicated that, in order to afford equity to the some two hundred and fifty licensees who in good faith filed their applications prior to the January 1, 1980 deadline, Class D power increase applications filed subsequent to the deadline which are mutually exclusive with this type of application filed prior to the deadline, will not be accepted for filing.

Sent to all Class D FM 10-watt noncommercial educational licensees.

Action by the Commission January 29, 1981. Commissioners Lee, Quello, Washburn, Fogarty and Jones, with Chairman Ferris and Commissioner Brown not participating.

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